

**STATE OF INDIANA – COUNTY OF RIPLEY
IN THE RIPLEY CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR COURTS**

**Notice of Proposed Local Rule Amendment,
Finding Good Cause to Deviate From Established Schedule,
and Request for Supreme Court Approval
January 9, 2015**

The judges of the Ripley Circuit and Superior Courts, pursuant to Trial Rule 81(B), give notice of an amendment to the local court rules on reassignment of criminal cases at **LR69-CR13-03** and the appointment of special judges at **LR69-TR79-04**, and find good cause to deviate from the schedule for amending local rules under Trial Rule 81(D). All new text is shown by underlining and deleted text is shown by ~~striketrough~~. Supreme Court approval is required for these amendments and is requested.

Notice has been given to the public by posting on the website of the Ripley County Clerk and on the Indiana Judicial Website, and by furnishing a copy to the officers of the Ripley County Bar Association. Comments may be made until **February 8, 2015**, to: Honorable Ryan J. King, Judge, at P.O. Box 445, Versailles, IN 47042 or by email to: rking@ripleycounty.com.

Because of the need for an immediate implementation of this amended rule due to the prior position of the Circuit Court Judge in the Prosecutor's office, this amended rule will be effective **retroactively** to **January 1, 2015**, but comments may be made for the required thirty (30) day period.

DATED this 9th day of January, 2015.

_____/S/_____
Ryan J. King, Judge
Ripley Circuit Court

_____/S/_____
Jeffrey L. Sharp, Judge
Ripley Superior Court

LR69-CR13-03 - REASSIGNMENT

(a) In the event it becomes necessary to reassign a case to another judge in a criminal proceeding in the Ripley Circuit Court due to a conflict arising from the sitting judge's previous service as the Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Ripley County, the Clerk shall reassign the case on a rotating basis to Senior Judge Ted Todd or to Ripley Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Sharp. If in these cases neither judge can serve, then the case shall be reassigned as set forth below.

(b) In all other cases, if ~~In the event~~ it becomes necessary to reassign a criminal case in the Ripley Circuit or Superior Court, the Clerk shall first reassign the case to the other sitting Ripley County Judge and if that Judge cannot serve, then ~~the judges will be reassigned in consecutive order by~~ the Clerk shall reassign the case on a rotating basis from the following list of judges:

Judge of the Dearborn-Ohio Circuit Court;
Judge of the Dearborn Superior Court 1;
Judge of the Dearborn Superior Court 2;
Judge of the Decatur Circuit Court;
Judge of the Franklin Circuit Court 2
Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court;
Judge of the Jefferson Superior Court;
Judge of the Jennings Circuit Court;
Judge of the Jennings Superior Court;
~~Judge of the Ripley Superior Court;~~
~~Judge of the Ripley Circuit Court;~~
Judge of the Switzerland Circuit Court

(Amended effective ~~March 7, 2013~~ January 1, 2015)

LR69-TR79-04 - SPECIAL JUDGE APPOINTMENT

(a) In the event it becomes necessary to appoint a special judge in a civil proceeding under Trial Rule 79 (H) in the Ripley Circuit Court due to a conflict arising from the sitting judge's previous service as the Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Ripley County, the Clerk shall reassign the case on a rotating basis to Senior Judge Ted Todd or to Ripley Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Sharp. If in these cases neither judge can serve, then the case shall be reassigned as set forth below.

(b) In all other cases, if ~~In the event~~ it becomes necessary to appoint a special judge pursuant to T.R. under Trial Rule 79(H), in the Ripley Circuit and or Superior Courts, the Clerk shall first reassign the case to the other sitting Ripley County Judge and if that Judge cannot serve, then the Clerk shall reassign the case on a rotating basis a special judge will be assigned by the Clerk from the following list of judges in consecutive order:

Judge of the Dearborn-Ohio Circuit Court;
Judge of the Dearborn Superior Court 1;
Judge of the Dearborn Superior Court 2;
Judge of the Decatur Circuit Court;
Judge of the Franklin Circuit Court 2
Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court;
Judge of the Jefferson Superior Court;
Judge of the Jennings Circuit Court;
Judge of the Jennings Superior Court;
~~Judge of the Ripley Superior Court;~~
~~Judge of the Ripley Circuit Court;~~
Judge of the Switzerland Circuit Court

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